

**MOTHER TRIED TO COMMIT SUICIDE**

Mrs. Gilman Attempted to Take Her Life on Hearing of Children's Arrest.

**MYSTERY STILL UNSOLVED**

CHIEF OF POLICE STILL REFUSES TO BELIEVE CURTIS' STORY—DETECTIVE HEINTZMANN IS AGAIN IN DAYTON.

[Publishers' Press.] Dayton, O., Dec. 12.—The mystery surrounding the murder charges against David Curtis, the confessed murderer of Dona Gilman, is likely to extend over Thursday.

The case against Mrs. Katie Gilman and her son Collins and daughter Fayne, was reopened today by the appearance of Detective Heintzmann, who preferred charges against Mrs. Gilman and the dead girl's brother and sister. The report is being spread that Mrs. Katie Gilman, mother of Dona Gilman, the girl who was mysteriously murdered, attempted to commit suicide Tuesday when she learned that Fayne and Collins Gilman, sister and brother of the murdered girl, had been arrested for the crime.

The information came from the Miami Valley Hospital that when Mrs. Gilman heard of the warrants for her children, she tried to jump from the second story window, but was restrained by the nurses. The shock of the arrest of her children has been too much for the grief-stricken mother, and her condition is serious.

The defense for David Curtis will rest its case on an alibi. Chief of Police Whitaker takes no stock in the theory that Curtis killed the girl and that the autopsy recently held did not establish the fact of an assault on the dead body of the girl. Coroner Kline refuted this, saying that all evidence pointed to the fact that Dona Gilman's body had been foully abused, as Curtis claimed he had done.

**INVESTIGATION ORDERED****BOTH HOUSES TAKE ACTION**

Sen Inmates of Prison at Manila Dead as Result of Bubonic Plague Serum Being Administered for Cholera Serum.

[Publishers' Press.] Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—Almost incident of the adoption by the senate today of a resolution of inquiry into the war department announced that a full investigation is being made by the governor of the Philippines into the cause of the recent death of ten inmates of the Dilbid prison at Manila.

The secretary of war made public tonight a report on the case from Governor Smith. It appears that acting under a permissible executive order, Dr. Strong, head of the bureau of laboratories at that place, ordered a cholera vaccination of prisoners, one died out of a batch operated up on November 16. It is the belief of the Philippine authorities that a little of bubonic plague serum was mistaken by them for cholera serum.

**CONFIRM NOMINATIONS****DELAY OF NINE DAYS**

Senate at Last Gives in and New Members of the Cabinet Are Now Eligible to Take Their Places.

[Publishers' Press.] Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—The senate late this afternoon confirmed the following nominations, after a delay of nine days: William H. Moody, to be an associate justice of the United States Supreme Court; Charles J. Bonaparte, attorney general; Victor H. Mett, secretary of the Navy; Oscar Krauss, secretary of commerce and labor.

**TAKE IN FIVE CANDIDATES**

Pythian Sisters Had an Interesting Session With a Number of Visitors Present.

The Pythian Sisters had a very interesting session last night at the Pythian Temple, five candidates being initiated into the mysteries of the order. A number of members of the Pythian lodge were in attendance. The evening nominations for officers for the ensuing year was held, and was served after the regular session.

**THE WEATHER PROPHET.**

INDIANA AND OHIO—Fair Thursday; Friday rain; colder; fresh southwest winds, becoming southeasterly.

**WILL APPEAL TO THE LEGISLATURE**

Shippers to Take This Step to Eliminate Existing Railroad Evils.

**REFUSAL TO DELIVER COAL**

THIS ACTION ON PART OF COMMON CARRIERS CAUSES MUCH COMPLAINT—DESIRE FOR A STRONGER LAW.

Though Richmond was not represented at the meeting of the Indiana Manufacturers' and Shippers' Association held at Indianapolis yesterday, there will be special interest among local manufacturers, lumber and coal dealers and other heavy shippers, in the matters which were under discussion.

Early in the session it became evident that the association will endeavor to obtain remedial legislation from the next General Assembly. This will probably be in the nature of a bill to reinforce the State Railroad Commission. The members of the association are looking to the commission for relief from the railroad oppressions with which they are harassed. They realize, however, that the commission is handicapped in regulating railroad evils because of lack of power. These directly interested would strengthen the law that created the commission to the extent of giving the commissioners control over the car service of the railroads of the state.

Grievances Are Numerous. Grievances of the shippers are numerous and diversified, but just at this time the grievance of paramount importance is born of the car shortage. The refusal of the railroads to haul coal and delays incurred by them in delivering consignments of raw material, have stirred the wrath of the manufacturers.

Question of Demurrage. The shippers would also place question of demurrage under the control of the commissioners. It now is controlled by the car service association and shippers are penalized at the will of its officers. The shippers would like to see reciprocal demurrage established and they would give the commissioners sufficient power to bring this about.

**MRS. CHRIS SCHAEFER WAS PAINFULLY HURT**

Mrs. Chris Schaefer, North Ninth street, was quite seriously injured yesterday as a result of a distressing accident. Mrs. Schaefer is an invalid, and was being carried down stairs by her son. In some way the young man missed his footing and fell with his mother to the bottom of the flight. Mrs. Schaefer's right arm was broken at the elbow.

**Nomination Confirmed After 9 Days.**

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE WILLIAM H. MOODY.

When William H. Moody becomes an associate justice of the supreme court, Massachusetts will have two native sons in that tribunal, the other being Oliver Wendell Holmes, son of the poet. Mr. Moody was born at Newbury, Mass., in 1853. He is a graduate of Harvard and has been in public life since 1890. He was United States district attorney for five years, congressman for seven years, secretary of the navy for two years and has been attorney general since July 1, 1904. His home is at Haverhill.

**DEATH ENDS SUFFERING****EX-SENATOR BROWN DEAD**

Victim of Mrs. Bradley's Revolver Died Just After Midnight—Murderess Was Asleep and Was Not Awakened for the News.

[Publishers' Press.] Washington, Dec. 12.—Ex-Senator Arthur W. Brown, of Utah, died this morning at 12:02 o'clock. Mrs. Bradley his murderess was asleep at the time and was not notified of his death.

**DIPHTHERIA AT LIBERTY****EPIDEMIC IS ALARMING**

Churches, Schools, Lodges and all Public Gathering Places are Closed in Hope of Preventing the Spread of Disease.

Liberty, just sixteen miles south of Richmond, is now trying to control an epidemic of diphtheria and the most drastic measures are being taken to accomplish that end. Although but one case of the dreaded disease has appeared directly in the city, and that was yesterday, when Mary Farley, who is employed at the telephone office was taken sick, there are a number of cases in the immediate vicinity and many Liberty people have been exposed to the contagion. At Goodwin's Corner, near Liberty, there are already six cases.

In order to prevent the spread of the disease in the city, the schools have been closed, no church was held Sunday, no lodge meetings are held and a funeral held yesterday was strictly private. A stock company which had been engaged to play for a week at the theater, was forced to cancel its engagement.

**AGREEMENT NOT RECEIVED**

Pennsylvania Railroad Company Move Slowly in West Second Street Viaducts Matter.

**GREAT INSURANCE COMBINE PLANNED****Paul York, President of the Equitable Company, Leading the Movement.**

The fact that the Pennsylvania railroad officials have not yet returned to the city officials the agreement relative to the West Second Street opening, has caused the impression in some quarters that the Pennsylvania may yet decline to enter into the terms proposed by the city. However, the Board of Works, feels that there will be no difficulty experienced. The Pennsylvania officials move slowly in such matters and the delay now being experienced had been anticipated.

**DECLARES, MEANS NO HARM****PLANS LEAK OUT BEFORE HE WANTED THEM TO, BUT SAYS HE HAD INTENDED TO TAKE PUBLIC INTO CONFIDENCE.****WILL READ PAPER ON THE USE OF CEMENT**

Today, at a meeting of township trustees, which will be held in the office of County Superintendent Jordan, L. S. Bowman, trustee of Jefferson township, will read a paper relative to the use of cement in the construction of culverts and also its use in the construction of school buildings.

**BEVERIDGE WILL ATTEND****Child Labor Society to Hold National Gathering at Cincinnati Today and Tomorrow.**

[Publishers' Press.] Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—The advocates among Congressmen of Federal child labor legislation are much interested in the meeting of the National Child Labor Society, to be held in Cincinnati Thursday and Friday of this week. Senator Beveridge introduced his bill at the request of the society, and the society tried to dissuade Senator Lodge from introducing a bill on the subject. It is expected that the society will formally endorse the Beveridge bill. Senator Beveridge left today to attend the convention.

**HOUSE OPPOSED TO THE NO SPELLING****But Nick Longworth and a Few Faithful Remain True to the President.**

DECISIVE ACTION TAKEN NO APPROPRIATION SHALL BE MADE FOR PUBLIC PRINTING UNLESS THE GOOD OLD STYLE IS USED.

[Publishers' Press.] Washington, Dec. 12.—The House today went on record as opposed to the system of simplified spelling as ordered by the President. Only Nick Longworth, the President's son-in-law, and a few faithful ones, such as Republican Floor Leader Payne in all 25 stood by the President.

**ADMISSION OF PERJURY REBELLION IN MILD FORM****SHARKITT SENT TO JAIL PRESIDENT QUILTS CLASS**

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Rebellion in mild form, though in interesting form, has broken out in the Junior class at the Richmond High School and instead of class feeling being directed against lower or upper bodies of students, the dissensions are internal and promise interesting developments before the white flag of peace has been hoisted. At the election of president recently, Howard Reed, a popular student, was the recipient of the first term Junior division, the second term division, it is said, has not, as a whole, displayed the loyalty that the class president expected. On Tuesday evening at a meeting of the Juniors, President Reed took up his station and rapped for order, but according to the report of the session the response was of a disorderly nature. President Reed realized that a rupture in the class had taken place and he withdrew from the meeting. He has declined to call another session until convinced that the class will unite in its support of his leadership.

High School Orchestra and Ladies' Chorus Plan Entertainment to be Given in February.

The High School Orchestra and Ladies' Chorus have decided to give a concert for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. building fund. There will be several separate numbers by the orchestra and the chorus, and in addition to this there will be two or three numbers of the chorus with the orchestra accompaniment. The orchestration of this music is being written by Prof. Earheart now and will be something entirely new.

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**DIVORCEE IS MARRIED****Abraham Lee, of Knightstown, Takes to Wife Evelyn Bennett of Middleboro.**

Abraham Lee, of Knightstown, who was divorced last Saturday in the Henry County court and Evelyn Bennett, of Middleboro, were married by Squire Abbott yesterday afternoon at his office.

When making application for the license neither of the parties could sign their names, they being uneducated. The witness to the license David Brunley, of this city, also had the same trouble, and County Clerk Haas has a marriage license in his office covered with the funny signatures, (X his mark) (X her mark).

**LOCAL INTEREST IN FIRE.****Ralph Polk, of Indianapolis, whose wife formerly was Miss Grace Porterfield of this city, is one of the officers of the Polk Canning Company, whose big plant at Greenwood, a suburb of Indianapolis, was destroyed by fire yesterday.****BOARD OF WORKS CALLS ON CITIZENS TO STAND BY THE CITY LIGHT PLANT.**

As indicated in the Palladium of yesterday, the Board of Public Works during the day issued a formal and official statement to the citizens of Richmond relative to the alleged unfair methods of its competitors, the Light, Heat and Power Company. The statement is self explanatory, and is as follows:

To the Citizens of Richmond: The attention of the Board of Public Works has been called to unfair methods of competition used against the Municipal Light Plant. Attempts have been made to disturb the city's light patrons, and divert their business to the competing company, by the statement that the Municipal Plant will be unable to properly take care of its commercial lighting during the coming holiday season. After a careful investigation and analysis of the present situation, along with Superintendent Rogers, it is the unanimous and unqualified opinion of the Board that the city's electric light plant will be amply able to furnish its commercial customers first class light service during the holiday season and at all times thereafter. This statement applies to both quality and quantity of electric light. Whatever deficiency in capacity there may be in the municipal plant from now on until the installation of the additional power, will be shown on the street lighting and not on the commercial side of the proposition. It is the opinion of the Board, as it must be of the city generally, that the city did not increase the capacity of its electric plant a day too soon. As is usual in all such improvements, when contracts must be made with a number of machinery makers, there has been some annoying delay in the shipments of the various parts of the new power plant. These delays have in no wise been the fault of the city, or any of its officers. It is confidently expected, however, that the new unit will be fully installed and ready for work by the middle of January, or in about a month from this date. And with equal confidence the Board predicts for the city plant a profitable business and a prosperous future, based on both the merits of the service and the cordial co-operation of the citizens and taxpayers of Richmond, to whom the property belongs. BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

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**WEDDING AT CAMBRIDGE**

Mrs. Maud La Duke and Mr. Carl Kuhn United in Marriage at Caldwell Hotel.

**DIVIDENDS ARE DECLARED**

Pennsylvania West of Pittsburg to Pay Semi-Annual Dividend of 3 Per Cent Dec. 31.

**CONFIRM NOMINATIONS**

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[Publishers' Press.] Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—This was "dividend day" at Broad street station where directors of line operated by the Pennsylvania railroad met and designated the amounts of dividends to be declared and the day of payment. The directors of the Pan Handle road, the P. C. C. & St. L. met and declared a 2½ per cent dividend on the preferred stock, payable January fifteen, to stockholders of record of January 5.

A semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent was declared on the common stock, payable February 15 at stockholders of record of February 5. This places the common stock of this line on a four per cent basis, as over 3 per cent last year.

The directors of the Pennsylvania company, which controls the lines west of Pittsburg, then met and declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent payable December 31.

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**YELLOW REPORTERS MUST FACE COURT**

Judge and District Attorney at Herkimer Get Touch of Live Journalism.

**DON'T LIKE IT ONE BIT**

THREE CORRESPONDENTS WHO "COVERED" GILLETTE TRIAL, ARRESTED AND OTHERS ARE TO BE.

[Publishers' Press.] New York, Dec. 12.—Because the reports published in certain newspapers in connection with the trial of Chester E. Gillette for the murder of Grace Brown at Herkimer, were displeasing to presiding Judge Devendorf and District Attorney Ward, the Montgomery county grand jury has indicted a number of newspaper reporters who "covered" the trial, and editors who commented editorially on the manner in which the evidence was introduced.

The identity of those indicted is kept secret, pending their arrest, but three of the men were brought into court this afternoon and at once gave bail in \$500 to appear for trial when wanted. Other arrests are promised later by the authorities.

The unfortunate trio gathered in this afternoon are Henry E. Carey, publisher, William E. Lewis, editor, and "Bat" Masterson, a sporting writer on the Morning Telegraph. Masterson is a close friend of President Roosevelt, and besides writing two columns a day for his paper, he is also a deputy U. S. Marshal. The three men appeared before Recorder Goff in the court of general session, having been arrested by central office men, and gave bail for their future appearance. They will be arraigned in Herkimer next Monday.

**MARRIED FIFTY YEARS****ARE WELL KNOWN FRIENDS****Golden Wedding Celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. Abram Trueblood at their Home in New Castle—Richmond People There.**

New Castle, Ind., December 12.—(Spl.)—The fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Trueblood, was celebrated at their home in this city yesterday.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Trueblood have been active and prominent members of the Friends' church for many years. Mrs. Trueblood being an ordained minister. Both were students in their young days at the Friends' Boarding School now Earlham College.

It is notable that death has never occurred in this family. At the celebration to-day all the children were present except a daughter, Mrs. A. J. Weaver, living at Glens Falls, N. Y. The following members of the family were present. Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Trueblood and daughter, Miss Edna, Indianapolis; W. D. Trueblood and son, Wilson, St. Louis; Miss Ethna Trueblood, Anderson; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sherer and daughter, Helen, Oxford, O.

The guests present were: Mr. William Pyle, Indianapolis; Professor and Mrs. E. P. Trueblood, and Prof. Allen Hole and sister, Mrs. McBeth, Richmond; Mrs. Mary A. Morris, sister of Abram Trueblood; L. B. Moore, Chicago; Dr. and Mrs. Cope, and Mr. and Mrs. E. McMillan, Plainfield; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rogers, Pendleton, and Mr. and Mrs. William Hiatt, Spice land. One of three poems was contributed by Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Holt, of Richmond.

**SOCIAL AND ELECTION****Following Reception at Christian Church Officers Are Named for Coming Year.**

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Christian church entertained the members of the church at a reception in the church parlors last night. About two hundred persons were present. The parlors were tastefully decorated, while an excellent program consisting of music and readings was rendered. Refreshments were served.

Closing the social session the officers for the church, who will serve for the ensuing year were elected, the choice being made by popular vote. The four elders elected were, J. F. Harris, Peter McClelland, Richard Freeman and Caleb King. The deacons selected were, C. F. Wilson, Prof. Albert Jones, W. B. Kaufman, Leroy Little, Charles M. Fryar, F. F. Haisley, J. E. Mills, George W. Mansfield and W. M. Ellis.

W. A. Dunham was elected clerk, George W. Mansfield, treasurer, and J. E. Mills, auditor.